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At the end of 1947, the USSR gross industrial production had once again reached the average monthly level of 1940. In the following table, the production gains over 1946 made in 1947 are given in percent:

Industry or Product	Percent Increase in 1947
Total industrial output	22*
Pig-iron smulting	14
Rolled iron	15
Gogl mining	īź
Extraction of polyroleum	19
Blockricity generated	35
Automobiles	ξ <u>ζ</u>
Treetors out farm machinery	าอัง
Steam turbines	150
Cotton and woolen fabrics	33
Leather shoes	40
Rubber about	<b>68</b>
Arinal oil	12
Vegeteble oil	24
Fish industry products	28
Soap	28
Sugar refining	100

\* (Including 12% in first smarter, 18% in second quarter, 26% in third quarter, and 20% in fourth quarter.)

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In 1946 and 1947 the State put into operation 1,900 enterprises (1,100 in 1947), or an average of almost three enterprises a day for 2 years.

The ferrous metallurgy industry has exceeded planned smelting of pig iron during January and February 1948, and production of volled iron has begua. This is an unusually early start for the rolled-iron industry. Moscow local industry has met the gross output plan for the first quarter, exceeding the first quarter of 1947 by 22 percent. Through the initiative of a Moscow worker, Anna Kuzzetsova, a movement has been started for utilization of technical norms in 1948 which were designed for use in 1950.

The major tasks for 1948 are: speeding up fuel mining, improvement of construction, and utilization of new techniques in machine-building branches of industry.

Agricultural production rose 48 percent in 1947, due to the Party's work of economic consolidation of collective farms, elimination of corruption in agricultural artels, and development of better agricultural leadership. The total grain crop increased 58 percent, cotton 21 percent, and potatoes 30 percent. The tugar-best yield was almost doubled. The number of tractors and other agricultural machines is steedily increasing. Tractor production in 1947 was 209 percent over 1946, and other farm-machinery production was up 206 percent.

This year's task is to see that an abundant harvest is reaped not only on the lands of the advanced workers, but in solid blocks over the sowing areas of entire collective farms and districts. A rich harvest in 1948, coupled with successful development of livestock raising will make it possible to supply the Soviet Union's entire population with a sufficiency of bread, sugar, meat, fats, etc.

The Soviet Union now has pasts of friendship, collaboration and reciprocal aid with all countries bordering the USER on the west, from the Black Sea to the Baltic. The working classes in France, Italy, and Greece are on the move. At the legipning of 1945, the General Staff of the Estimal Liberation Army of China amounced the liberation of 2,390,000 square bilameters of territory with a population of IES million people, or more than one third of the yegulation of China. The Estimal Liberation Army of China amphiesal two million men toward the end of 1947, and the local self-defence corps, four million men. The Endomsian and Delochinese peoples continue their straggle against reaction.

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